

Brush Clearance Tips

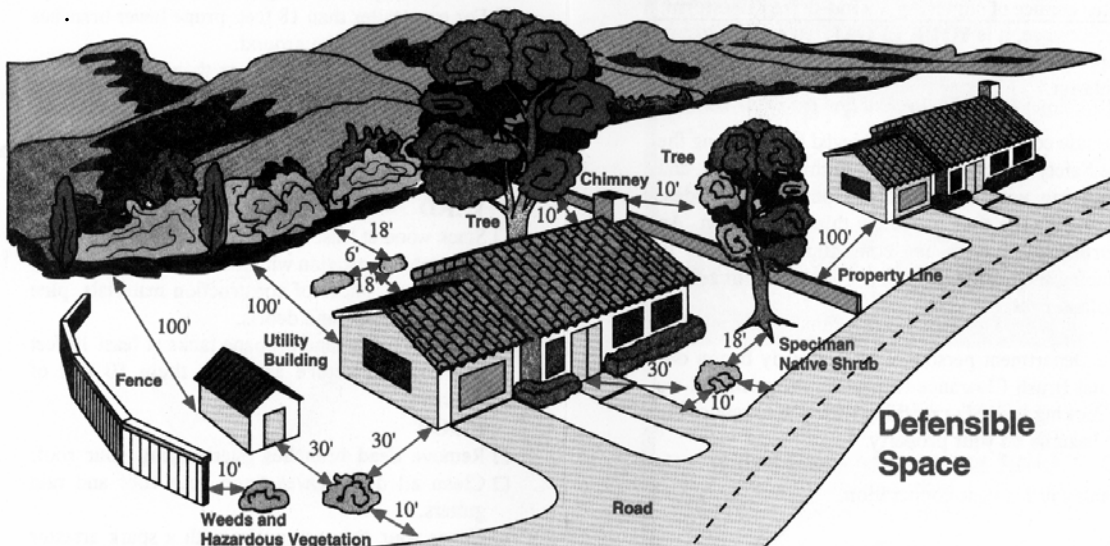
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Home Landscaping and Yard

- Remove flammable vegetation and other combustible growth within 30 ft. of any structures. Increase to 50 ft. in high hazard areas. Thin out or remove other vegetation an additional 70 ft. from structures for a total of 100 ft. (200 ft. in high hazard areas)
- Single trees, ornamental shrubbery and ground covers may be permitted provided they do not readily transmit fire from native vegetation to structures
- Landscape with plants that are drought tolerant and fire resistant. Maintain plants!
- Space trees and shrubs a minimum of 15 ft. apart or three times their diameter from other shrubs
- Trees should be spaced to allow a minimum of 30 ft. between canopies at maturity
- Trees taller than 18 ft., prune lower branches within 6 ft. of the ground
- For trees and shrubs of less than 18 ft. prune lower branches to one-third of their height
- Maintain all plants by regularly removing dead branches and leaves
- Remove all stacks of combustible materials
- Stack wood at least 30 ft. from structures. Remove flammable vegetation within 10 ft. of woodpiles
- Locate fixed butane/propane tanks at least 10 ft. from any structure and maintain 10 ft. of clearance

Home Access

- Identify at least two exit routes from your neighborhood
- Post road signs to show traffic restrictions such as dead-end roads and height and weight limits
- Clear back flammable vegetation at least 10 ft. from roads and driveways
- Cut overhanging tree branches above roads to provide minimum of 16 ft. of clearance
- Make sure street names and numbers are visible at intersections
- Post address on front of house. If your house is not visible from street, post sign next to the vehicle entrance



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